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REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)

PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. § 1.114

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE), of Application Serial No. 09/456,184, filed on December 7, 1999, by Hiroyuki OKADA, entitled ACTUATOR AND DRIVING APPARATUS THEREOF.

A Petition for Three-Month Extension of Time, extending the response period to January 11, 2002, is being filed concurrently.

Submitted herewith are true copies of an Amendment Under C.F.R. § 1.116, a Petition for a One-Month Extension of Time and a Response Transmittal and Fee Authorization that were mailed on October 26, 2001. Due to the

Applicant's attorney not receiving the postcard receipt from the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, we faxed a copy of the Amendment Under C.F.R. § 1.116 to the Examiner on January 7, 2002.

A Response Transmittal and Fee Authorization form authorizing the amount of \$1,550.00 (\$740.00 for the filing fee for a Request for Continued Examination (RCE), and \$810.00 for the Petition fee for Three-Month Extension of Time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.117(a)(3)) (a petition for one month extension having been filed with the amendment mailed on October 26, 2001) to be charged to Sidley Austin Brown & Wood LLP's Deposit Account No. 18-1260 is enclosed herewith in duplicate.

However, if the Response Transmittal and Fee Authorization form is missing, insufficient, or otherwise inadequate, or if a fee, other than the issue fee, is required during the pendency of this application, please charge such fee to Sidley Austin Brown & Wood LLP's Deposit Account No. 18-1260. Please credit any overpayment to Sidley Austin Brown & Wood LLP's Deposit Account No. 18-1260.

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